

## Buxted Church of England Primary School

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Thursday 18th June 2020

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to update you on the situation within school regarding additional children coming in. Unfortunately, we are using every single room within the school and all available adults, there are very few spaces left. We are now having to put a cut off date of Friday 19th June for letting us know about any additional children needing places. This key worker group is only for the children when the parents/carers are actually at work. If you work part-time then the children should be attending part-time. Any requests after this date we will be unable to consider as we do not have capacity. Even if you are a key worker, we need to know by Friday 19th June if you will need a space before the end of term as this has become full. We are having to separate this group in to two bubbles, but even by doing this, there is limited spaces left. We have also run out of space and staff to make a third bubble. Places are now being prioritised according to need and key worker criteria. If your child is currently in school within the key worker bubble and your space is not needed, can you please inform us so that we are able to make this available for others.

We would love to be able to have all of the children back and are concerned about year groups that are not able to come to school and are still working remotely at home. There is also the added problem of transition in to the next year and how we go about this, as well as what school is going to look like in September. We are planning on organising a Microsoft teams meeting for children to have a virtual meeting with their new class teachers, so that they are prepared in some way for September. It would also be fantastic to do the same with their current teachers, so we will let you know about this in due course. Microsoft teams is a safe virtual learning platform that we could use to allow this to happen and for children to catch up with their peers and class teacher. We cannot use this for lessons as the class teachers are currently working all day with the additional bubbles for the year groups that are currently in school. For the time being, we will continue with Seesaw so that work is available for all of the children at home.

Please take note of the additional INSET day that has been arranged in September, meaning that children will start back in school on Monday 7th September 2020. When the Government has informed us of the arrangements for schools after the summer break, I will let you know what the plans will be for this so that you are able to make arrangements at home.

It was great to hear how well we have been doing on the online virtual Sussex school games, where we have been doing particularly well! Our school came 22nd out of 229 schools. This is great news and thank you for participating in this. If you can upload your results for Boccia by midday on Friday this week, we are hoping to make the top 20 schools in Sussex, which would be a fantastic achievement.

Thank you for your continued support and stay safe.

Mrs H. Simpson

Acting Headteacher



### TERM TIME DATES

**Wednesday 22nd July:  
INSET DAY**

**Thursday 3rd September 2020:  
INSET DAY**

**Friday 4th September 2020:  
INSET DAY**